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### TOTAL CHEESE, EXCLUDING COTTAGE CHEESE: Wisconsin, 2009

| Ranges of Annual Production | State<br>Plants | Production |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------|
|                             | No.             | 1,000 lbs. |
| Less than 1 million lbs.    | 24              | 5,547      |
| 1 to 4.99 million lbs.      | 29              | 57,103     |
| 5 to 9.99 million lbs.      | 20              | 133,074    |
| 10 to 24.99 million lbs.    | 15              | 190,546    |
| 25 million lbs. and over    | 38              | 2,243,293  |
| Total                       | 126             | 2,629,563  |

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

#### MOZZARELLA CHEESE: Wisconsin, 2009

| Ranges of Annual Production 1/ | State<br>Plants | Production |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
|                                | No.             | 1,000 lbs. |
| Less than 1 million lbs.       | 17              | 2,412      |
| 1 to 19.99 million lbs.        | 13              | 111,967    |
| 20 million lbs. and over       | 14              | 748,872    |
| Total                          | 44              | 863,251    |

1/ Plant qualifies for a certain range based only on its Mozzarella production. Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

#### ITALIAN CHEESE: Wisconsin, 2009

| Ranges of Annual Production 1/ | State<br>Plants | Production |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
|                                | No.             | 1,000 lbs. |
| Less than 1 million lbs.       | 21              | 3,650      |
| 1 to 19.99 million lbs.        | 15              | 129,486    |
| 20 million lbs. and over       | 20              | 1,098,067  |
| Total                          | 56              | 1,231,203  |

1/ Plant qualifies for a certain range based only on its Italian production. Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO  $\,$ 

#### CHEDDAR CHEESE: Wisconsin, 2009

| Ranges of Annual Production 1/ | State<br>Plants | Production |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
|                                | No.             | 1,000 lbs. |
| Less than 1 million lbs.       | 32              | 7,972      |
| 1 to 9.99 million lbs.         | 12              | 37,856     |
| 10 million lbs. and over       | 14              | 609,054    |
| Total                          | 58              | 654,882    |

1/ Plant qualifies for a certain range based only on its Cheddar production. Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

#### PROCESSED CHEESE AND CHEESE FOODS Wisconsin, 2005-2009

| W1300113111, 2000 2000 |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Year                   | Processed cheese | Processed<br>cheese foods<br>& spreads | Cold pack<br>cheese and<br>cheese food |  |  |  |  |
|                        |                  | 1,000 pounds                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2005                   | 562,295          | 322,431                                | 38,512                                 |  |  |  |  |
| 2006                   | 582,362          | 389,992                                | 38,237                                 |  |  |  |  |
| 2007                   | 630,292          | 323,078                                | 56,859                                 |  |  |  |  |
| 2008                   | 654,998          | 335,286                                | 1/                                     |  |  |  |  |
| 2009                   | 599,043          | 329,794                                | 1/                                     |  |  |  |  |

 $1/\!Not$  published to avoid disclosing individual operations. Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

#### **BUTTER AND CHEESE PRODUCTION: Wisconsin, 2005-2009**

| Year | Butter  | Total cheese 1/ | Total<br>American 2/ | Hispanic     | Muenster | Italian   | Mozzarella |
|------|---------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|----------|-----------|------------|
|      |         |                 |                      | 1,000 pounds |          |           | _          |
| 2005 | 383,570 | 2,405,945       | 869,204              | 44,076       | 43,718   | 1,074,925 | 793,152    |
| 2006 | 378,871 | 2,452,855       | 820,918              | 47,003       | 39,772   | 1,161,480 | 845,765    |
| 2007 | 373,027 | 2,462,043       | 771,883              | 49,906       | 40,327   | 1,166,903 | 853,080    |
| 2008 | 361,041 | 2,524,125       | 822,509              | 50,411       | 46,864   | 1,172,412 | 825,910    |
| 2009 | 3/      | 2,629,563       | 848,288              | 56,333       | 46,548   | 1,231,203 | 863,251    |

1/ Includes cream cheese and other miscellaneous types of cheese. Does not include cottage cheese. 2/ Includes Cheddar, Colby, washed curd, stirred curd, Monterey, and Jack. 3/Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations. Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

WHEY PRODUCTS: Wisconsin, 2005-2009

| Year | Dry w         | hey      | Total       | Whey protein concentrate human food |  |
|------|---------------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--|
|      | Human<br>food | Animal   | lactose     |                                     |  |
|      |               | 1,000 po | unds solids |                                     |  |
| 2005 | 294,983       | 22,099   | 120,582     | 80,734                              |  |
| 2006 | 299,514       | 22,354   | 135,676     | 86,078                              |  |
| 2007 | 311,160       | 20,259   | 147,568     | 81,715                              |  |
| 2008 | 304,753       | 1/       | 148,476     | 77,675                              |  |
| 2009 | 294,339       | 1/       | 138,018     | 78,310                              |  |

1/Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

Dairy Products, Production by Selected States and U.S.

| Item and area       | March<br>2009 | February<br>2010 | March<br>2010 | Change<br>from last<br>year |
|---------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
|                     |               | 1,000 pounds     |               | Percent                     |
| CHEESE              |               |                  |               |                             |
| American            | 364,359       | 320,426          | 362,295       | -1                          |
| Cheddar             |               |                  |               |                             |
| WI                  | 55,531        | 51,928           | 57,500        | +4                          |
| CA                  | 31,340        | 27,068           | 30,538        | -3                          |
| ID                  | 48,490        | 41,988           | 47,761        | -2                          |
| MN                  | 45,274        | 38,125           | 43,482        | -4                          |
| US                  | 279,296       | 244,389          | 281,640       | +1                          |
| Brick & Muenster    | 11,092        | 8,447            | 10,699        | -4                          |
| Cream & Neufchatel  | 62,412        | 56,718           | 64,565        | +3                          |
| Hispanic            | 18,228        | 15,841           | 19,394        | +6                          |
| Mozzarella          |               |                  |               |                             |
| WI                  | 73,337        | 65,595           | 74,300        | +1                          |
| CA                  | 95,485        | 90,194           | 104,772       | +10                         |
| US                  | 280,012       | 259,090          | 300,446       | +7                          |
| Parmesan            | 18,863        | 18,937           | 21,572        | +14                         |
| Provolone           | 29,739        | 26,305           | 29,227        | -2                          |
| Ricotta             | 22,297        | 19,548           | 22,116        | -1                          |
| Romano              | 3,995         | 3,364            | 2,935         | -27                         |
| Other Italian types | 4,480         | 3,138            | 4,078         | -9                          |
| Total Italian       | ĺ             | ,                | ,             |                             |
| WI                  | 105,597       | 95,963           | 106,613       | +1                          |
| CA                  | 104,966       | 100,257          | 116,181       | +11                         |
| US                  | 359,386       | 330,382          | 380,374       | +6                          |
| Swiss               | 26,298        | 24,540           | 26,708        | +2                          |
| All other cheese    | 28,742        | 18,919           | 26,109        | -9                          |
| Total cheese        | ĺ             | ,                | ,             |                             |
| WI                  | 225,242       | 197,168          | 222,510       | -1                          |
| CA                  | 181,191       | 161,726          | 186,244       | +3                          |
| ID                  | 72,031        | 61,636           | 72,350        | n.c.                        |
| NY                  | 61,225        | 55,292           | 64,628        | +6                          |
| US                  | 870,517       | 775,273          | 890,144       | +2                          |

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

# Farm Production Expense Index Unchanged from Last Year

The overall price index for U.S. farm production inputs was unchanged this March compared to a year ago. Price declines in fertilizers, feed, seed and chemicals were off-set by increases in fuel and machinery costs. Fertilizer prices showed the largest decline, while fuels prices increased the most from a year ago.

Compared to March 2009, the U.S. prices paid index for fertilizer was down 25.6 percent. The decrease can be attributed to a decline of 24.5 percent for mixed fertilizer, 22.4 percent for nitrogen, and 35.0 percent for potash and phosphate.

The U.S. prices paid index for fuels saw a 44.5 percent increase from March 2009. Diesel prices increased 51.0 percent, gasoline 43.2 percent, and L.P. gas 16.4 percent from the previous year.

The U.S. prices paid index for feed saw a decline of 5.4 percent from March 2009. Prices fell for the following feed categories feed grains, hay/forage, complete feeds and supplements, but were up for concentrates. Hay and forages realized the largest decrease at 15.9 percent. Feed grains were down 7.3 percent, complete feeds 5.2 percent, supplements 1.9 percent, while concentrates were 2.2 percent higher.

The national seed price index declined 6.3 percent from March of last year. Field crop seed prices were 5.9 percent lower, while grass and legume seed cost dropped 13.7 percent compared to a year ago.

U.S. chemical prices were 4.6 percent lower compared to March 2009. Herbicides were down 8.3 percent, fungicides were down 0.6 percent, while insecticides were up 2.5 percent.

The U.S. prices paid index for machinery rose 2.7 percent from March 2009. The price indices both for tractors and self propelled machinery were up 2.2 percent, and other machinery prices increased by 3.9 percent.



FEED: Prices Paid Lake States Region 1/, April 2006-2008, March 2009-2010

| Commodity                  | 2006  | 2007  | 2008       | 2009   | 2010  |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|------------|--------|-------|
| <u> </u>                   |       | Dolla | rs per 50  | pounds |       |
| Stock Salt                 | 4.51  | 4.87  | 5.17       | 5.60   | 5.64  |
| Trace Mineral<br>Blocks    | 5.39  | 5.75  | 6.07       | 6.60   | 7.71  |
|                            |       | D     | ollars per | cwt.   |       |
| Alfalfa meal               | 14.70 | 16.70 | 18.90      | 23.50  | 23.60 |
| Molasses, liquid           | 15.90 | 16.40 | 16.40      | 19.00  | 19.40 |
| Soybean meal, 44% protein  | 13.10 | 14.40 | 22.10      | 20.10  | 20.40 |
| •                          |       | D     | ollars per | r ton  |       |
| Dairy feed                 |       |       |            |        |       |
| 32-38% protein concentrate | 328   | 394   | 488        | 475    | 433   |

1/Lake States: MI, MN, WI. Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

FUEL: Prices Paid Lake States Region 1/, April 2006-2008, March 2009-2010

| Commodity                     | 2006 | 2007   | 2008      | 2009 | 2010 |
|-------------------------------|------|--------|-----------|------|------|
|                               |      | Dollar | rs per ga | llon |      |
| Gasoline, unleaded            |      |        |           |      |      |
| Service station 2/            | 2.56 | 2.59   | 3.22      | 1.94 | 2.79 |
| Bulk delivery 2/              | 2.59 | 2.62   | 3.27      | 1.99 | 2.84 |
| Diesel fuel, bulk delivery 3/ | 2.29 | 2.47   | 3.61      | 1.69 | 2.57 |
| L.P. gas, bulk<br>delivery 3/ | 1.61 | 1.65   | 2.20      | 1.68 | 1.88 |

1/Lake States: MI, MN, WI. 2/Includes all taxes. 3/Excludes all taxes. Source, USDA, NASS, WI FO

SEED: Prices Paid United States, April 2006-2008, March 2009-2010

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|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| Commodity                             | 2006  | 2007  | 2008    | 2009  | 2010  |
|                                       |       |       | Dollars |       |       |
| Alfalfa, per cwt.                     |       |       |         |       |       |
| Proprietary                           | 286   | 292   | 342     | 379   | 379   |
|                                       |       |       |         |       |       |
| Corn, per                             |       |       |         |       |       |
| 80,000 kernels                        | 137   | 154   | 184     | 235   | 247   |
| Non-Biotech                           | 95.10 | 100   | 115     | 139   | 160   |
| Soybean, per bu.                      |       |       |         |       |       |
| Biotech                               | 34.10 | 36.70 | 40.00   | 49.60 | 53.50 |
| Non-Biotech                           | 21.10 | 20.50 | 26.30   | 33.70 | 33.90 |
| Barley, Spring, per bu.               | 6.58  | 7.18  | 10.10   | 9.78  | 8.52  |
| Oats, Spring, per bu.                 | 5.83  | 6.81  | 8.19    | 8.19  | 7.78  |
| Wheat, Winter, per bu.                | 9.32  | 10.60 | 14.80   | 16.00 | 13.70 |

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

FERTILIZER: Prices Paid
North Central Region 1/, April 2006-2008, March 2009-2010

| Commodity         | 2006 | 2007 | 2008       | 2009 | 2010 |
|-------------------|------|------|------------|------|------|
|                   |      | D    | ollars per | ton  |      |
| Anhydrous         |      |      |            |      |      |
| Ammonia           | 543  | 536  | 769        | 787  | 520  |
| Nitrogen Solution |      |      |            |      |      |
| 28%               | 241  | 270  | 372        | 376  | 260  |
| Sulfate of        |      |      |            |      |      |
| Ammonia           | 263  | 269  | 390        | 357  | 300  |
| Urea 44-46%       | 368  | 450  | 547        | 504  | 520  |
| Superphosphate    | 315  | 409  | 779        | 555  | 465  |
| Muriate of Potash | 271  | 277  | 562        | 848  | 501  |

1/North Central States: IL, IN, IA, MI, MN, MO, OH, and WI.

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

## AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS: Prices Paid United States, April 2006-2008, March 2009-2010

| Commodity                        | 2006               | 2007  | 2008  | 2009  | 2010  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                                  | Dollars per gallon |       |       |       |       |
| 2,4-D, 4#/gal.<br>Acetochlor,    | 16.20              | 15.90 | 17.20 | 19.30 | 18.00 |
| (Harness Surpass)<br>6.4-7#/gal. | 68.90              | 69.20 | 71.70 | 75.50 | 70.30 |
| Atrazine (AAtrex)                | 00.90              | 09.20 | 71.70 | 73.30 | 70.50 |
| 4#/gal.                          | 12.10              | 12.20 | 15.30 | 20.80 | 18.90 |
| Dicamba (Banvel)<br>4#/gal.      | 90.10              | 82.40 | 77.60 | 82.60 | 72.40 |
| Glyphosate,<br>(Roundup) 4#/gal. | 29.30              | 28.90 | 40.50 | 42.80 | 22.80 |
| Chlorothalonil                   | 29.30              | 20.90 | 40.50 | 42.00 | 22.00 |
| (Bravo), 6#/gal                  | 46.70              | 47.00 | 48.20 | 59.80 | 50.00 |
| Pendimethalin (Prowl) 3.3#/gal.  | 24.30              | 28.20 | 29.70 | 37.40 | 36.30 |

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

# FARM MACHINERY: Prices Paid United States, April 2006-2008, March 2009-2010

| Commodity                      | 2006    | 2007    | 2008    | 2009    | 2010    |  |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
|                                | Dollars |         |         |         |         |  |
| Tractor, 2-wheel               |         |         |         |         |         |  |
| drive, P.T.O.                  |         |         |         |         |         |  |
| horsepower                     |         |         |         |         |         |  |
| 30-39                          | 17,500  | 18,400  | 18,700  | 18,500  | 18,800  |  |
| 70-89                          | 37,600  | ,       | 39,300  | 39,000  | 39,900  |  |
| 140-159                        | 95,500  | 100,000 | 104,000 | 111,000 | 114,000 |  |
| Manure spreader                | 12 200  | 12.800  | 13.700  | 15.400  | 13.500  |  |
| 225-310 bu. Cap.               | ,_      | ,000    |         | ,       | .0,000  |  |
| Mower conditioner,             |         |         |         |         |         |  |
| pull type                      |         |         |         |         |         |  |
| 8-10 foot sickle               | 16,300  | 17,200  | 18,400  | 19,700  | 20,200  |  |
| 14-16 foot sickle              | 25,700  | 26,200  | 28,300  | 29,500  | 30,600  |  |
| Round baler,<br>_1200-1500 lb. | 20,300  | 21,900  | 23,300  | 25,100  | 25,100  |  |

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

#### Wisconsin Hay Stocks Down

Stocks of all dry hay stored on Wisconsin farms totaled 753,000 tons on May 1, 2010, a 21 percent decrease from the 950,000 tons stored on May 1, 2009. During the period December 1, 2009-May 1, 2010, the state's livestock and dairy producers fed 2.27 million tons of hay compared to 2.65 million tons during the same period a year earlier.

Nationally, all hay stored on farms May 1, 2010, totaled 20.9 million tons, down 5 percent from the previous year. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 2009-May 1, 2010, totaled 86.3 million tons, 6 percent less than the disappearance of 81.6 million tons for the same period a year ago.

Hay stocks were down in the southern Great Plains, Mississippi Valley, Great Lakes, Delta, and most Atlantic Coast States. A harsh, snowy winter in many States in these areas caused hay stocks to dwindle as producers were forced to feed more hay due to the lack of available winter pastures. Hay stocks were also lower compared with May 1, 2009 in California, Washington, and Utah. Overall, the greatest percentage declines occurred in Alabama, Mississippi, and Texas.

Hay Stocks on Farms, May 1, 2010

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|----------------------------------|--------|------------|--------|--|--|--|
| State                            | 2008   | 2009       | 2010   |  |  |  |
|                                  |        | 1,000 tons |        |  |  |  |
| WI                               | 790    | 950        | 753    |  |  |  |
| IL                               | 210    | 300        | 310    |  |  |  |
| IA                               | 640    | 750        | 420    |  |  |  |
| KS                               | 1,100  | 1,350      | 1,200  |  |  |  |
| MI                               | 320    | 450        | 330    |  |  |  |
| MN                               | 535    | 790        | 630    |  |  |  |
| MO                               | 900    | 2,050      | 1,250  |  |  |  |
| MT                               | 1,025  | 590        | 720    |  |  |  |
| NE                               | 990    | 935        | 1,000  |  |  |  |
| ND                               | 1,260  | 700        | 1,310  |  |  |  |
| SD                               | 1,930  | 1,900      | 2,190  |  |  |  |
| US                               | 21,585 | 22,065     | 20,913 |  |  |  |

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

# Winter Wheat Production Forecast Down from 2009

The 2010 Wisconsin winter wheat crop experienced little winterkill across portions of the state. As of May 2, 2010, winter wheat conditions were rated 83 percent good to excellent, 15 percent fair, and 2 percent poor to very poor.

As of May 1, total winter wheat for grain production is forecast to be 15.6 million bushels in Wisconsin, a decrease of 27 percent from 2009. State yield is currently forecast at 68 bushels per acre, same as last year. The 230,000 acres to be harvested for grain or seed this year is down 27 percent from last year.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.46 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2009. The expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 31.8 million acres, down 8 percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 45.9 bushels per acre, up 1.7 bushels from the previous year.

Winter Wheat, Selected States, 2009 and Forecasted May 1, 2010

| and Forecasted May 1, 2010 |                |        |         |      |               |           |  |
|----------------------------|----------------|--------|---------|------|---------------|-----------|--|
| State                      | Area harvested |        | Yi      | eld  | Production    |           |  |
|                            | 2009           | 2010   | 2009    | 2010 | 2009          | 2010      |  |
|                            | 1,000 acres    |        | Bushels |      | 1,000 bushels |           |  |
| WI                         | 315            | 230    | 68.0    | 68.0 | 21,420        | 15,640    |  |
| CO                         | 2,450          | 2,300  | 40.0    | 38.0 | 98,000        | 87,400    |  |
| IL                         | 820            | 325    | 56.0    | 60.0 | 45,920        | 19,500    |  |
| KS                         | 8,800          | 8,200  | 42.0    | 42.0 | 369,600       | 344,400   |  |
| MT                         | 2,420          | 1,900  | 37.0    | 40.0 | 89,540        | 76,000    |  |
| NE                         | 1,600          | 1,500  | 48.0    | 46.0 | 76,800        | 69,000    |  |
| OK                         | 3,500          | 3,900  | 22.0    | 33.0 | 77,000        | 128,700   |  |
| SD                         | 1,530          | 1,180  | 42.0    | 49.0 | 64,260        | 57,820    |  |
| TX                         | 2,450          | 3,500  | 25.0    | 35.0 | 61,250        | 122,500   |  |
| WA                         | 1,640          | 1,710  | 59.0    | 61.0 | 96,760        | 104,310   |  |
| US                         | 34,485         | 31,786 | 44.2    | 45.9 | 1,522,718     | 1,458,350 |  |

Source: USDA, NASS, WI FO

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